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TOURISM AND US BUSINESS OPERATIONS

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1. IN RESPONSE TO QUERY PARA TWO REFTTEL, EMBASSY
DOES NOT BELIEVE PAN AM SUSPENSION WILL HAVE MAJOR IMPACT
ON AMERICAN BUSINESS OPERATIONS HERE. LOCAL PAN AM REP
STATES THAT ALREADY 70 PER CENT OF U.S.-BOUND PASSENGERS
TRAVEL VIA FOREIGN CARRIER TO SINGAPORE OR HONG KONG BEFORE
TRANSFERRING TO PAN AM. ASSUMING THAT HIGH PERCENTAGE OF
INBOUND PASSENGERS ALSO DO NOT TRAVEL DIRECTLY, IT IS
CLEAR THAT GREAT BULK OF TRAVELERS WILL BE UNAFFECTED. MOST
OF REMAINING 30 PER CENT OUTBOUND WHO TOOK PAN AM FOR
ENTIRE JAKARTA-U.S. TRIP WERE USG EMPLOYEES. INCONVENIENCE
THEY WILL EXPERIENCE IN HAVING TO PROCEED TO ANOTHER CITY
TO CATCH PAN AM FLIGHT WILL BE OFF-SET BY GREATER
FLEXIBILITY IN DECIDING WHICH DAY OF WEEK THEY WILL
ARRIVE/DEPART JAKARTA. AIR CARGO MARKET IS AT EARLY
STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT AND LIMITED VOLUME PRESENTLY CARRIED
BY PAN AM CAN EASILY BE ACCOMMODATED ON OTHER CARRIERS.

2. TOURISM MEANS PRINCIPALLY TOURISM TO BALI, AND
AGAIN PANAM REP STATES NUMBER OF AMERICAN TOURISTS WHO
FLY DIRECTLY TO BALI FROM U.S. IS SMALL. ABSENCE OF
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PAN AM FLIGHT TO BALI IS UNLIKELY TO REDUCE NUMBER OF
U.S. TOURISTS THERE.

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